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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7010**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1253

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 28, 2014

**BILL AMENDED:** Jan 28, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Umbilical Cord Blood Bank.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Zent

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill transfers the Umbilical Cord Blood Donation Initiative from a nonprofit corporation established by the Secretary of Family and Social Services (FSSA) to the State Department of Health (ISDH) and changes the name from "Umbilical Cord Blood Donation Initiative" to "Postnatal Donation Initiative".

The bill eliminates the nonprofit corporation. It also eliminates the duty of the nonprofit board to establish a public umbilical cord blood bank. The bill also repeals the provisions related to the conduct of the umbilical cord blood program through the Office of the Secretary of FSSA and its nonprofit corporation.

The bill establishes the Postnatal Donation Board to assist ISDH. It provides civil immunity to persons who participate in the Postnatal Donation Initiative.

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) *ISDH*: The bill requires ISDH to staff the Postnatal Donation Board and creates a Postnatal Donation Initiative, which includes distribution of relevant materials to public health stakeholders. All of the powers and duties of the Umbilical Cord Program through FSSA are transferred to ISDH through the bill.

According to the bill, ISDH is to staff the Postnatal Donation Board. Board members are eligible for per diem salaries unless the members are also state employees. Per diem amounts for lay members of the Board are \$50. All Board members are eligible for travel and meeting-related expense reimbursement. Board members are as follows:

- (1) The State Health Commissioner (who serves as Board chair);
- (2) The Secretary of FSSA;
- (3) The director of the ISDH Office of Minority Health;
- (4) The following six members appointed by the State Health Commissioner:
  - (A) A president or CEO of an Indiana-based hospital;
  - (B) A research scientist with expertise in umbilical cord blood research;
  - (C) An ethicist with expertise in bioethics;
  - (D) A physician who specializes in birthing and delivery;
  - (E) A representative of a donor umbilical cord blood bank; and
  - (F) A member of the Interagency State Council on Black and Minority Health.

The bill's requirements represent an additional workload and possible expenditure outside of ISDH's routine administrative functions, and existing staffing and resource levels, if currently being used to capacity, may be insufficient for full implementation. The additional funds and resources required could be supplied through existing staff and resources currently being used in another program or with new appropriations. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend on legislative and administrative actions.

The bill provides that (1) all powers, duties, agreements, and liabilities; (2) all records and property, including appropriations, grants, and other funds; and (3) any amounts owed to the public umbilical cord blood bank and the umbilical cord blood donation initiative are to be transferred to ISDH. The extent of these items are undetermined at this time.

*Additional Information:* The Umbilical Cord Blood Donation Initiative under the jurisdiction of FSSA was created in 2008 by HEA 1172 by the General Assembly. At that time, FSSA created a nonprofit corporation to form and operate the cord blood bank. The nonprofit, called the Indiana Cord Blood Bank (ICBB), was later created. To date, the board that governs the ICBB is still meeting and working to establish a statewide blood bank. In order to implement the bank, it is necessary to partner with an organization(s) to collect donations, process samples, store samples, and work on outreach and development with the medical and research community.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** FSSA, ISDH, Interagency State Council on Black and Minority Health.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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